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For	:	ADAPTIVE BALLAST CONTROL IC			

AMENDMENT

This is a response to the Office Action mailed August 10, 2004 in the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

Any additional fee required has been calculated as follows:

	NO. CLAIMS AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		EXTRA PRESENT		RATE		ADDIT. FEE
TOTAL	25	MINUS	27	* =	-0-	X	(\$9 SE or \$18)	\$	0.00
INDEP.	8	MINUS	3	** =	5	X	(\$44 SE or \$88)	\$	440.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM						X	(\$150 SE or \$300)	\$	0.00
* not less than 20 ** not less than 3								TOTAL \$	440.00

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In the event the actual fee is greater than the payment submitted or is inadvertently not enclosed or if any additional fee during the prosecution of this application is not paid, the Patent Office is authorized to charge the underpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

CONTINGENT EXTENSION REQUEST

If this communication is filed after the shortened statutory time period had elapsed and no separate Petition is enclosed, the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700.

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENTS

1. ____ If checked, an abstract (an amended abstract) is submitted herewith.
2. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the drawings are submitted herewith.
3. ____ If checked, amendment(s) to the specification are submitted herewith.
4. **X** If checked, amendment(s) to the claims are submitted herewith.